



## THE SORROWFUL LAMENTATION OF ANDREW CARR

Who was Executed on the 28 of July at Richmond Jail

## FOR THE MURDER OF MARGRET MURPHY

You feeling hearted christians I hope you'll lend an ear  
When you hear my lamentation I'm you'll shed a tear  
My guilty conscious stings me sore the truth I now must say  
For the life I could not give I basely took away

My name is Andrew Carr & to Kildare I do belong  
Where my parents rear'd me tenderly untill I was twenty one  
But I being young & foolish into the Army I did go  
Where I bore a good character as my comrades well do know

When I left my aged parents & bid them both good bye  
They little thought it would be my lot on the gallows three to die  
Or that I would fall a victim by becoming states pray  
For to disgrace the bones that now lie monldering in the clay

When I first knew Margret Murphy it was to me a woful day  
With the 87 th Regiment in Dublin there I lay  
But she prou'd to be incou-tant which caused this wicked strife  
So I swore to be reveng'd of her & take away her life

For 8 long years this wicked thought I nurturd in my breast,  
Curs'd jealousy got hold of me & I could find no rest  
When discharged from the Army I return'd home with mad  
And made up my mind to commit this most atrocious crime

Then just in 3 weeks after the devil temp'd me  
One night when she was drunk I took the opportunity  
Embraceing the temptation I thrw ass'te all dread  
And with my army arser I near cut off her head

Then when I had murder'd her I instantly did go  
Into a neibouring publick-house to try & bannish woe  
I staid there for 10 minutes & I could no longer stand  
For my conscience sting me when I saw her blood upon my hand

Then I gave myself up to the law & told what I had done  
For I knew the eyes of justice it was impossible to shun  
Then I was try'd & found guilty & am condemn'd to die  
For the murder of Margret Murphy on the 28 day of July

So now young man I tell you as true as Andrew Carr it is my name  
That night walking drink & company is what I have to Name  
For being the instigatoor of all my crimes its clear  
And brought me to the gallows high to end my wild career

Now as I am going to face Eternity  
I hope each pious Christian will reite a prayer for me  
As I am heartly sorry for the deal that I have done  
That God may grant me pardon let each one say Amen